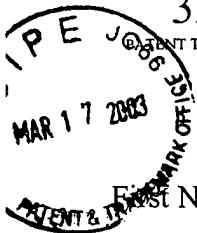


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2003.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-6, 8-13, 22, 25, 28, 31, 34 and 37.

Election

Claims 1-39 have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

I. Claims 1-15 and 22-39 are said to be drawn to an optical article, classified in Class 428,
subclass 411.1+; and

II. Claims 16-21 are said to be drawn to a method of coating classified in Class 427, subclass
162+.

Applicants hereby elects Group I (i.e., claims 1-15 and 22-39) with traverse, and
respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal or modification of the restriction requirement.